## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(1)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

December 4, 2007

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** 

Resolution authorizing

use of Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Dept. forces to install water pipelines and fire hydrants for homes affected by arsenic concentrations

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez.

R. A. Cuèvas, Jr. County Attorney

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 "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
 Budget required
 Statement of fiscal impact required
Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
 Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
No committee review

Approved	Mayor Agenda Item No.	11(A)(1)
Veto	12-4-07	
Override		

RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO USE MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT FORCES TO DESIGN AND INSTALL APPROXIMATELY THREE MILLION DOLLARS OF WATER PIPELINES AND FIRE HYDRANTS IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY SW 72<sup>ND</sup> STREET TO THE NORTH, SW 80<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO THE SOUTH, SW 84<sup>TH</sup> COURT TO THE WEST AND SW COURT TO THE EAST: **FINDING** INSTALLATION OF WATER PIPELINES AND FIRE HYDRANTS BY MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT FORCES TO BE NECESSARY TO THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE; AND WAIVING RESOLUTION NO. R-120-83

WHEREAS, in 2007, the Florida Department of Health (DOH) confirmed the Department of Environment Resources Management's (DERM) discovery of arsenic concentrations above the federal drinking water maximum contaminant limit near certain homes that use well water; and

WHEREAS, the homes that may be affected by the arsenic concentration levels are located in the area bounded by SW 72<sup>nd</sup> Street to the North, SW 80<sup>th</sup> Street to the South, SW 84<sup>th</sup> Court to the West and SW 77<sup>th</sup> Court to the East; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds that providing potable water from the County's water system to the residents of this area protects the public's health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department forces have the ability to quickly design and install the necessary water pipelines in the subject area; and

WHEREAS, Section 255.20(1)(c)9, Florida Statutes, authorizes a county to use its own services, employees and equipment to perform public improvements with an estimated cost in excess of \$250,000 upon a majority vote of the Board members, after at least fourteen days public notice and a public meeting, finding that it is in the public's best interest to perform the improvements using its own services, employees, and equipment; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to waive Resolution No. R-120-83 which established a county policy requiring that construction of public improvements be provided by private industry through competitive bid,

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 255.20(1)(c)9, Florida Statutes, this Board finds by a majority vote of the Board members that it is necessary to design and install water pipelines and fire hydrants in the area bounded by SW 72<sup>nd</sup> Street to the North, SW 80<sup>th</sup> Street to the South, SW 84<sup>th</sup> Court to the West and SW 77<sup>th</sup> Court to the East, as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof; and that it is in the public's best interest for the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department to utilize its own employees and equipment to design and construct all improvements necessary to provide county water to the subject area.

Section 2. This Board waives Resolution No. R-120-83 and authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to use Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department forces to design and install approximately \$3 million of water pipelines and fire hydrants in the area bounded by SW 72<sup>nd</sup> Street to the North, SW 80<sup>th</sup> Street to the South, SW 84<sup>th</sup> Court

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to the West and SW 77<sup>th</sup> Court to the East, as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Carlos A. Gimenez

Joe A. Martinez Dorrin D. Rolle

Katy Sorenson

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Audrey M. Edmonson

Sally A. Heyman

Dennis C. Moss

Natacha Seijas

Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Henry N. Gillman

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